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1. "Flutec Ruckschlagventile RV5E" [Flutec Nonreturn valves RV5E] (FLUTEC, fluidtechnische Gerate GmbH, brochure No. 5.175.2/7.95 HYDAC catalogue 01 section 9);
2. German Laid-Open Patent Publication No. DE 100 14 191 A 1, dated September 27, 2001;

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3. German Laid-Open Patent Publication No. DE 40 25 488 C 2, dated February 21, 1991.
4. U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2001/0052361 A1, published December 20, 2001 to Kushida et al.;
5. U.S. Patent No. 5,511,831, issued April 30, 1996 to Barton;
6. U.S. Patent No. 5,107,890, issued April 28, 1992 to Gute; and
7. German Laid-Open Patent Publication No. DE 3600 130 A1, dated July 9, 1987, together with English Language Abstract.

The relevance of reference 1 has been described in the specification. The relevance of references 2 to 6 has been described in the International Search Report. A copy of the International Search Report is enclosed. Copies of references 1 to 3 and 7 are enclosed.

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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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						YES	NO
	DE 100 14 191 A 1	9/27/2001	Germany				✓
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**OTHER DOCUMENTS** (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

		"Flutec Ruckschlagventile RV5E" [Flutec Nonreturn valves RV5E] (FLUTEC, fluidtechnische Gerate GmbH, brochure No. 5.175.2/7.95 HYDAC catalogue 01 section 9)

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